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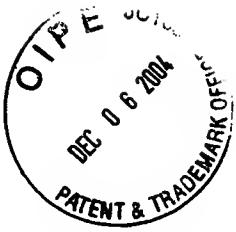
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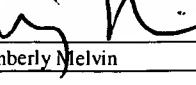
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In response to the final office action mailed October 1, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below. Favorable consideration and entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.